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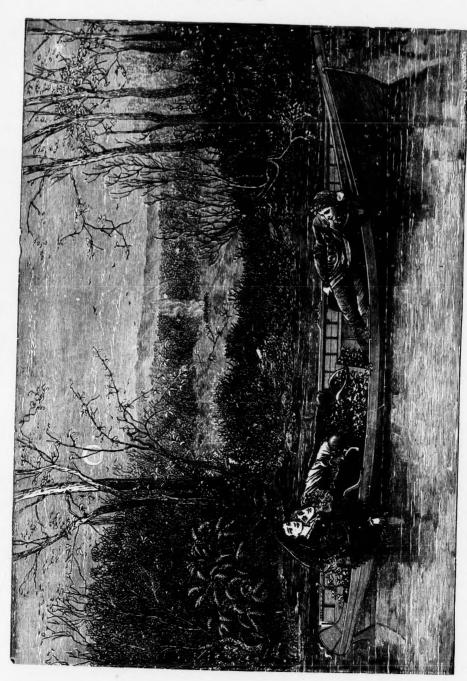
THE ARCHIPELAGO OF THE



ST LAWRENCE RIVER

BY ONE WHO HAS BEEN THERE.

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'And they were happy, and well content, sailing the way the river went."

LP G. Woolmer June 1975



There St. Lawrence gentlest flows,
There the south-wind softest blows,
There the lilies whitest bloom,
There the birch has leafiest bloom,
There doth glitter wood-duck's wing,
There leap the muskallonge at morn,
There the loon's night song is borne,
There is the fisherman's paradise,
With trolling-skiff at red sunrise.

THOUSAND ISLES.

BY HON. CALEB LYON.

HE Thousand Isles, The Thousand Isles, Dimpled the wave around them smiles. Kissed by a thousand red-lipped flowers, Gemmed by a thousand emerald bowers, A thousand birds their praises wake, By rocky glade and plumy brake, A thousand cedars' fragrant shade Falls where the Indians' children played, And Fanoy's dream my heart beguiles While singing thee, The Thousand Isles.

The flag of France first o'er them hung,
The mass was said, the vespers sung.
The friars of Jesus hailed the strands
As Blessed Virgin Mary's lands,
The red men mutely heard, surprised,
Their heathen names all christianized.
Next floated a banner with cross and crown,
'T was Freedom's eagle plucked it down,
Retaining its pure and crimson dyes
With stars of their own, their native skies.

The Thousand Isles, The Thousand Isles, Their charm from every care beguiles. Titian alone hath power to paint The triumph of their patron saint, Whose waves return on Memory's tide; LaSalle and Piquet, side by side Proud Frontenac and bold Champlain, There act their wanderings o'er again; And while their golden sunlight smiles, Pilgrims shall greet thee, Thousand Isles.



HON. R. A. LIVINGSTON'S ISLAND.

A SUMMER PARADISE.

THE THOUSANDAISLANDS.

ATURE nowhere presents more alluring charms than in that labyrinth of land and water, known as The Thousand Islands of the St. Lawrence, and nowhere else, during our sultry summers can pleasure and health seekers find the objects sought in larger measure. In the old Indian days this beautiful extent of the river was called Manatoana, or Garden of the Great Spirit, "and well might the islands when covered with thick forests, the deer swimming from wooded isle to wooded isle, and each little lilly-padded bay nestling in among the hills and bluffs of the islands, and teeming with waterfowl, seem to the Indian in his half poetic mood like some beautiful region dedicated to his Supreme Deity."

HISTORICAL.

This region has a history full of romantic interest, as anyone can imagine when he remembers that it has four times been the border land between contending nations: First between the two great Indian races, the Algonquins, and the Iroquois; next between the French and the English, and twice between the English and Americans. But our space is too limited for more than a few items.

The St. Lawrence was discovered by Jacques Cartier, a good Catholic on St. Lawrence's day in 1535, hence the name. Fort Carleton, the ruins of which are seen upon the upper end of Carleton Island, just below Cape Vincent, was built in the beginning of the Revolutionary war by the British commander.

Gen. Carleton. It was the principal military station above Montreal, and remained in the possession of the British until the beginning of the war of 1812. The boundary line between Canada and the United States which runs through these islands was not defi-

nitely settled until 1822. The first steamboat on the St. Lawrence, was the Oneida in 1817. It caused great excitement along the shores.

The Patriot War, a Canadian outbreak, which led to exciting military adventures on the St. Lawrence, occurred in 1837 to 1839. During this war the British steamer Sir Robert Peel, was fired and burned on the south side of Wells Island on the night of May 20th, 1838, and the "Battle of the Windmill" occurred near Prescott in November of the same year, a memorable battle to the clder Crossmon, who was taken prisoner during the engagement, tried and sentenced to be shot. Owing to his extreme youth a respite was obtained and he was afterwards ransomed, thus barely escaping with his life.



THE WINDMILL.

GEOLOGICAL.

The geological formation of the Thousand Islands is mostly gniess rock of the Laurentian period. The rock is composed largely of a reddish feldspar, with mixtures of quartz and hornblende, and a little magnetic iron ore. There are also occasionally thin veins of trap and greenstone, and in places a variety of crystalline mineral forms. Potsdam sandstone occurs among the islands in thick masses, rising sometimes into high cluffs. Before reaching Brockville from above, and for a long distance below, a calciferous sandstone and the older limestones continue the only rock, and in these are

found the organic remains of lower forms of animal and vegetable life.

EARLY ACCOUNTS.

The first mention of the Thousand Islands was by Samuel Champlain, who visited Lake Ontario and the upper St. Lawrence in 1615. In his meagre descriptions he mentions some beautiful and very large islands at the beginning of the St. Lawrence. It is supposed that some French explorers who went up the river about 1650, gave the region its present name "Milles Isles," or Thousand Islands. In the papers relating to De Courcelle's and De Tracy's expeditions against the Indians in 1666, the islands are complained of as "obstructing navigation and mystifying the most experienced Iriquois pilots."

In the year 1620 a Capt. Ponchot described the region somewhat minutely in his journal, which was afterwards published in Switzerland, and there have been frequent allusions to, and descriptions of it written and published from that time to this. The picturesque scenery of this spot also seems to have made a lasting impression upon French artists, as one of the finest paintings which greets the eye of an American on entering the Picture Gallery at Versailles, presents a view of these attractive wilds.

IN ROMANCE AND SONG.

We find them occasionally in the poetry and fiction of this latter period. "The Canadian Boat Song," by the great Irish poet, Thomas Moore, commencing:

"Faintly as tolls the evening chime
Our voices keep tune and our oars keep time,"

was written in 1804, it is said, on Hart's Island, opposite The Crossmon. During their passage down the river James Fennimore Cooper and Washington Irving visited the Thousand

Islands and were fascinated by them. Cooper makes them the scenes of some of the most interesting incidents of "The. Pathfinder," from which we copy the following:

"By sunset again the cutter was up with the first of the islands that lie in the outlet of the lake, and ere it was dark she was running through the narrow channels on her way to the long sought station. At 9 o'clock, however, Cap insisted that they should anchor, as the maze of islands became so complicated and obscure, that he feared, at every opening, the party would find themselves under the guns of a French fort. * * * The islands were so numerous and small



as to baffle calculation, though occasionally one of a larger size than common was passed. Jasper had quitted what might have been termed the main channel, and was wending his way, with a good stiff breeze and a favorable current, through passes that were sometimes so narrow that there appeared to be barely room sufficient for the Scud's spars to clear the trees; at other moments he shot across little bays, and buried the cutter again amid rocks, forest and bushes. The water was so transparent that there was no occasion for the lead, and being of very equal depth, little risk was actually run."

Farther on he describes the island where "The Pathfinder" and his party secreted themselves, which is so good of many others that we insert it here:

"Lying in the midst of twenty others, it was not an easy matter to find it, since boats might pass quite near and, by the glimpses caught through the openings, this particular island would be taken for a part of some other. Indeed, the channels between the islands that lay around the one we have been describing, were so narrow that it was even difficult

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is jourlusions resque ists, as Picture to say which portions of the land were connected, or which separated, even as one stood in their centre, with the express desire of ascertaining the truth. The little bay, in particular, that Jasper used as a harbor, was so embowered with bushes and shut in with islands, that the sails of the cutter being lowered, her own people on one occasion, had searched for

hours before they could find the Scud, on their return from a short excursion among the adjacent channels in quest of fish."

IN THE PRESENT.

"Now, however, the inexorably rotating kaleidoscope of time has shaken away the savage scenes of old, never to be repeated, and new ones appear to the eye of the present. No longer in Alexandria Bay-fortunately still beautiful-does Nature reign in silent majesty, for the constant flutter and bustle of the life and gayety of a summer resort have superseded her. But although Alexandria Bay is in the continual tumult of life, for some fortunate and almost unaccountable reason, the Thousand Islands are not in the least tinctured with the blase air of an ordinary watering-place, nor are they likely to become so. There are hundreds, thousands of places, rugged and solitary, among which a boat can glide, while its occupant lies gloriously indolent, doing nothing but reveling in the realization of life; little bays almost land-locked, where the resinous odors of hemleck and pine fill the nostrils, and the whispers of Nature's unseen life seem but to make the solitude more perceptible.



SAFE POINT.

Sometimes the vociferous cawing of crows sounds through the hollow woods, or a solitary eagle lifts from his perch on the top of a stark and dead pine, and sails majestically across the blue arch of the sky. Such scenes occur on a beautiful sheet of water called Lake of the Isle, lying placidly and balmily in the lap of the piney hills of Wells Island, reflecting their rugged crests in its glassy surface, dotted here and there by tiny islands. In the stillest

bays are spots that seem to lie in a Rip Van Winkle sleep, where one would scarcely be surprised to see an Indian canoe shoot from beneath the hemlocks of the shore into the open, freighted with a Natty Bumpo or a Chingachgook, breaking the placid surface of the water into slowly widening ripples. In such a spot, one evening after a day spent in sketching, when paddling our boat about in an indolent, aimless way, looking down through the crystal clearness of the water to the jangle of weeds below, now frightening a pickerel from his haunt or starting a brood of wood duck from among the rushes and arrow-heads, we found ourselves belated. As the sun set in a blaze of crimson and gold, two boatmen moving homeward passed darkly along the glassy surface that caught the blazing light of the sky, and across the water came, in measured rythm with the dip of their oars, the tune of a quaint old half-melancholy Methodist hymn that they sang. We listened as the song trailed



FIDDLER'S ELBOW.

after them, until they turned into an inlet behind the dusky woods and were lost to view. From such romantic and secluded recesses, one can watch the bustle and hurry of lite as serenely as though one were the inhabitant of another planet."

IN RECENT LITERATURE.

During the past few years wherein the Thousand Islands have suddenly become one of the leading resorts for summer recreation, they have been prominent in the current literature and pictorial illustrations of the country. Newspapers and magazines have made them the subject of many long and interesting articles; reporters, essayists, romancers, poets and humorists have seemed to vie with each other in calling the attention of the public to this place of enchantment; and the consequence is that a vast and annually swelling tide of humanity flows that way, and many linger there from early June until late October.

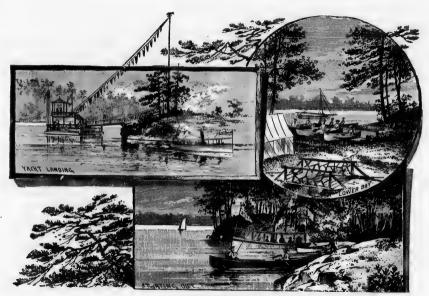
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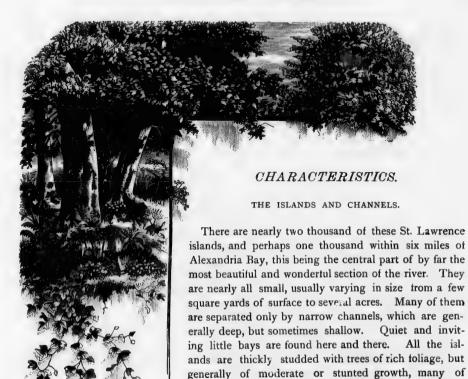
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ke of ecting tillest Fair St. Lawrence! What poet has sung of its grace As it sleeps in the sun, with its smile-dimpled face Beaming up to the sky that it mirrors? What brush Has e'er pictured the charm of the marvelous hush Of its silence, or caught the warm glow of its tints As the afternoon wanes, and the even-star glints In its beautiful depths? And what pen shall betray



AT NOBBY ISLAND.

The sweet secrets that hide from man's vision away
In its solitudes wild? 'Tis the river of dreams;
You may float in your boat on the bloom-bordered streams,
Where its islands like emeralds matchless are set,
And forget that you live, and as quickly forget
That they die in that world you have left; for the calm
Of content is within you, the blessing of balm
Is upon you forever.—Anon.



the sides of the islands is excellent fishing, bass and pickerel being the principal fish, but the tamous muskallonge is sufficiently numerous to warrant the fisherman in expecting an electric bite from him at any moment, which will put his strength and skill to their utmost test.

which stand close to the water's edge, and afford cooling shade to passing boatmen. In the bays and by

WELLS ISLAND.

Special mention should here be made of the largest of the islands, the lower end of which is just below the village of Alexandria Bay. It is eight miles long and from a few feet to four miles wide. Portions of it have been cultivated as farms for the last half a century. Other parts are charmingly wooded, and some of its rock features are exceedingly picturesque. The lower portion is separated into two parts by the "Lake of the Islands," which is connected with the river

on the American and Canadian sides by two narrow channels. This quiet lake, three or four miles long, is fringed with rich foliage and occasional bold rocks, and is a favorite fishing and hunting resort.

AS A SUMMER RESORT.

OLD TIMES.

Not until 1872 was the attention of the general public turned to the Thousand Islands as a "watering place," or resort for pleasure seekers and invalids, although some discerning



INLET TO THE RIFF

ones had been in the habit of spending a few summer days or weeks there for more than a quarter of a century There Governor previous. Seward shook hands across the party chasm with Silas Wright, and caught bass and muskallonge with him from the same boat, exchanging practical quotations and cheerful jokes instead of political opinions and arguments. There Rev. Dr. Geo. Bethune dropped theology, and Gen. Dick Taylor forgot military tactics, and floated sociably together down There among the islands. the wily Martin Van Buren, his witty son John, Frank

Blair, and other politicians of the old school, found respite from the affairs of the State and partisan squabbles, and were soothed and softened by the influences of nature. And when these intellectual giants returned from their fishing expeditions they found rare good cheer and comfort in the unpretentious old Crossmon House at the Bay, where the elder Crossmon was then known as the prince of country landlords, and in such goodly company learned thoroughly the fine art of managing and entertaining guests.

In the summer of 1872 two or three things occurred opportunely to draw immediate attention to the river attractions. George W. Pullman, the palace-car king, had become enamored with the place, purchased a beautiful island nearly opposite the Bay, and erected thereon suitable buildings for a luxurious summer residence. By his invitation, in 1872, Gen. Grant and family and a party of friends went to Pullman's Island, as his guests, and remained eight days. The same season a large party of New York and Southern editors



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made an excursion to the islands, and dined al fresco on the same island, the viands being furnished from the cuisine of the Crossmon House. These two events brought the islands to the notice of the people in all parts of the country.

So when the big new hotels were opened in the summer of 1873, the people at once began to hasten to them, and since then they have continued to come every year in large

numbers. About the same time there began to be a great demand for islands on which to build summer cottages. A large number were sold in 1872 and '73, and the demand and sale have continued each year since. Of course the best of the islands have now been appropriated, but there are many desirable ones left, and beautiful points also on the main shore and on Wells Island.

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS.

The Crossmon has been particularly honored of late by being the chosen stopping place of President Arthur, Gen. Sheridan, Cardinal McCloskey, Herbert Spencer, Charles Dudley Warner and the artist Reinhart.

FISHING PICNICS.

Several of these enjoyable affairs come off every pleasant day. A party of from ten to twenty-five ladies and gentlemen set off in a steam yacht for some distant fishing-ground, taking liberal supplies from the hotel, and about half as many oarsmen as excursionists.

Each oarsman takes his own skiff and fishing tackle. The boats being towed in single file behind the yacht, present the appearance of some strange marine animal with a very long tail. An island is selected as the base of operations, and here the yacht is moored to the shore and the party separates, each skiff with its two or three occupants taking a different direction, with the understanding to meet again at that island for dinner. At the appointed hour the boats return, and the oarsmen nearly all of whom are good cooks, set at work preparing dinner. A fireplace is quickly improvised out of rocks, and the savory odors of a hot dinner soon mingle with the piney odors of the woods. The yacht carries boards for tables and the island sup-



plies rocks to support them. The afternoon is spent in rambles on the adjacent islands, or in story-telling under some big tree, while two or three drowsy gentlemen go off to sleep under the influence of the fresh air and a hearty dinner. Frequenters of the islands often bring hammocks with them for these occasions.



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PARTICULAR ISLANDS.

In 1823 all the islands on the American side between Ogdensburg on the St. Lawrence and Grindstone Island in Lake Ontario were granted to Elisha Camp ot Sackets Harbor, and all titles within these limits must be traced to this proprietor.

Island Royal, owned by Mr Royal E. Deane of New York, is situated opposite Point Vivian, two miles from Alexandria Bay, and quite near Wells Island. The veranda of the cottage is twenty feet, above the water, and from this elevation a view unsurpassed upon the channel may be enjoyed. Many of the river

captains pass within hailing distance of this beautiful spot. and family for many years have been summer residents upon the river. Just above the village in the American channel, is Warner Island, own-

ed by H. H. Warner, of Rochester, who is famous for the magnitude, boldness and success of his business operations. The line steamers pass within a few teet of his cottage. Warner and family are in the habit of remaining here two or three months of the year, and their gracious hospitalities have won them hosts of friends among the frequenters of the

housand Islands.

We have already referred to Pullman's Island.



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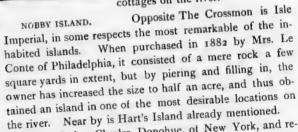
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Near by is Nobby, which, owing to its position and natural formation is one of the 18 most desirable among the islands. The owner, H. R. Heath of New York, has devoted

ments both on Nobby and the famous Oven which is also in his possession.

Rye Island has recently been purchased by Nathaniel W. Hunt, of Brooklyn, and re-christened St. Elmo. The cottage is a prominent one, and is the design of the architect who has built most of the finest cottages on the river.



Plantagenet Island was purchased by Judge Charles Donohue, of New York, and rechristened "St. John." He has built a handsome cottage upon it and is constantly making improvements.

The details might be indefinitely extended.



A short distance down the river from the Bay is a triplet of charming little islands. They are: Little Lehigh, owned by Chas H. Cummings, of New York; Sport, owned by Mrs. H. E. Packer of Mauch Chunk, Pa., and E. P. Wilbur, Bethlehem, Pa., and Idlewild, owned by Mrs. R. A. Packer, of Sayre, Pa. The first two are connected by a handsome wrought iron bridge.

Sport Island is nicely terraced, and a private gas house furnishes the means of illuminating it at night with two hundred lights.

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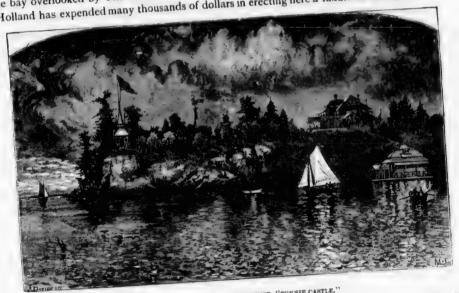
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Many small capes which scallop the main shores of the river, afford beautiful building sites, and some of them are adorned by handsome cottages. The demand for these capes has increased of late, and it is probable that before many years the shores for a long distance each way from the Bay, as well as the islands, will be thickly studded with cottages,

owned by health and pleasure seekers from abroad. Perhaps the most desirable point on the river was purchased by Dr. J G. Holland, the celebrated author, and late editor of The Century. It is at the mouth of the lovely little bay overlooked by The Crossmon, and only a few rods from it across the water. Dr. Holland has expended many thousands of dollars in erecting here a luxurious cottage and im-



DR. J. G. HOLLAND'S LATE RESIDENCE, "RONNIE CASTLE."

proving the ground. The point is named "Bonnie Castle," from one of Dr. Holland's The family are in the habit of spending three to four months of the year on this island and here Dr. Holland did much of his literary work.

SOME NAMES EXPLAINED. The historically farrous Devil's Oven is an island so named from a water cave into which a boat can be rowed from the river. This cave was the hiding place for many months of the famous "Pill Johnson" during the Patriot War of 1837-39. Aided and sus-

tained by his daughter Kate, he finally escaped, Goose Bay is a well known fishing and hunting ground three miles from the village. Eel Bay is another at the head of Wells Island. Halstead's Bay is another on the Canadian side. Fiddler's Elbow is a thick and favorite cluster of islands in the Canadian waters.

The Riff is the long narrow inlet to the Lake of the Islands. It is over a mile long, and so narrow that a child can throw a stone across it at any point, and yet is navigable for small yachts.



THE RIFF.

gicus purposes and the accommodation of visitors. ance and educational conventions every season.

Here are held Sunday school, temper-

Westminster Park is at the foot of Wells Island about a mile and a half from the Bay. It was purchased in 1874 by a Presbyterian stock company, and has been rapidly improved, having now several miles of drives, and some fine buildings. In the midst of the ground is a high hill, to the top of which is a winding roadway. This hill is called Mt. Beulah, and is surmounted by a pentagonal chapel, which will accommodate one thousand persons, and has a tower 136 feet high, presenting one of the best views of the river and islands.

These parks are connected with each other and the Bay many times daily by steamers, which afford delightful little trips.

Although the Thousand Islands are now dotted with

THE COTTAGES.

The river cottages are numerous and every year important additions are made to them. It is noticeable that as time passes the new ones constructed are more and more costly.

PARKS.

Round Island Park occupies a large Island nine miles above Alexandria Bay. It belongs to a Baptist Association, which was organized in the summer of 1879.

The Thousand Island Park of the Methodists is on the upper end of Wells Island, two miles below Round Island. It was started in 1873, and to its natural beauties have been added delightful drives and walks; a village of cottages, bath houess, and buildings for reli-



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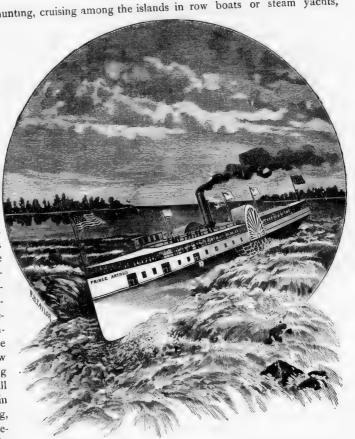
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cottages and thronged here and there with people, their original wild beauty and enticements remain, the trees and rocks; the majestic flow of crystal pure waters; the yet purer air, with its splendid tonic and healing properties; the every varying views; the opportunities for boating, fishing, hunting, bathing, etc.; all are here, and man has added to them yet more.

RIVER SPORTS.

Boating, fishing, hunting, cruising among the islands in row boats or steam yachts,

visiting many points of historical or traditionary interest, picnicking in large or small parties, open air feasting, and lounging under the trees by the water's edge, are terms which sum up the principal sports of the There are many small boats at the Bay, and many good oarsmen stand ready to serve at a moderate price, those who want their ser-These oarsvices. men are a convenience, but not a necessity, to the enjoyments among the islands. They know all the good fishing grounds, can give all needed instruction in the art of catching, will furnish the requisite fishing tackle, and cook the fish in

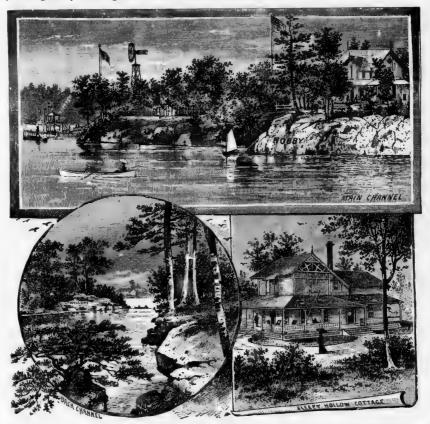


DESCENDING THE RAPIDS.

dainty and appetizing style when caught.

Black bass and pickerel, large and gamy, abound in these waters-many muskallonge are also caught every season, and the lady or gentleman who hooks and secures one or more of these largest and best of all fresh water fish, becomes the heroine or hero of the day on returning to the Bay.

Ladies are often the lucky ones, and sometimes pull in a muskallonge of enormous size, courageously refusing the while all masculine assistance.



Occasionally a muskallonge weighs as high as forty pounds, a pickerel as high as twenty pounds, and a bass as high as six or seven pounds. The muskallonge are mostly taken between the middle of May and the last of July; the bass bite best between the middle of June and September, while the pickerel are caught early and late in the season, and all the season.

Trolling is the usual and most exciting method of fishing among the islands, though much pleasant still fishing is also done.

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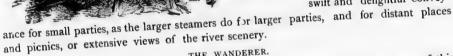
Late fall and early spring, as all hunters know, are the times for shooting duck, when 24 they flock to the bays and coves of this section of the river, by thousands. It is not unusual for a fishing party to return to the Bay at night with a hundred or more fine fish, nor for the hunter to come in with fifteen or twenty broad-billed trophies of his marksmanship.

STEAMERS AND YACHTS.

The large line steamers are seen plying up and down the river at frequent intervals. All of them touch at the Bay, and many others nearly as large are devoted to excursions. A new company has been formed to meet the demands and necessities of the increasing

Lake Ontario, by putting on a line of floating palaces, similar to those on the Hudson, and costing from \$80,-000 to \$100,000 each.

An important feature of life at the Bay, and among the Thousand Islands, is the great and increasing number of steam yachts, large and small, which glide to and fro over the water and in and out among the island channels, during the pleasure season. Some of these are models of architectural beauty, such as can be seen almost nowhere else. In going considerable distances on the river, these yachts afford a swift and delightful convey-



THE WANDERER.

The best way of gaining a comprehensive idea of the magnitude and wildness of this archipelago is by taking a trip on the Island Wanderer. This fast steamer makes two trips daily of forty miles each, taking in on its way some of the most intricate channels among the islands. A SCENE OF ENCHANTMENT.

The summer night scenes at the Bay are wierdly enchanting, and European travelers say they remind them of the night scenes at Venice, and are quite as beautiful. The illuminations extend far up and down the river, on gliding yachts, and steamers, on the islands, along the grounds, and in the windows and towers of the great hotels, and added to these are the lights of the village, and nightly displays of Chinese lanterns, Roman candles, rockets and other fireworks. This superb kaleido-cope of river fires must be witnessed to be appreciated.

IMPORTANT EFFECTS.

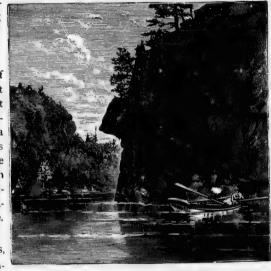
An ardent admirer of the Thousand Islands has said that they were conducive to four important effects: health, happiness, enthusiasm and love. Concerning this last it should be said that Cupid is all powerful here. The momentous question which is the key of

matrimony has been asked and answered many scores of times among these charming islands.

ALEXANDRIA BAY.

This village is the central point of interest from its nearness to the most picturesque part of the islands. It has a population of about seven hundred, and is prettily situated on a point of land between two river bays making it almost water bound. The fishing in this vicinity is better than elsewhere owing to the greater number of islands which cause quiet shallows where fish delight to congregate. Here, too, is the

CHURCH OF THE THOUSAND ISLANDS, built in 1851 through the instrumentality of Rev. Dr. George W. Be-



IN CANADIAN WATERS.

thune, of the Reformed Dutch Church, who was a regular visitor at the Bay for many successive years commencing as early as 1845. The church building, which is a chaste stone structure, with truncated tower, stands on a knoll in the edge of the village.

METHODIST CHURCH.

There is also a pretty little church recently completed by the Methodists at a cost of about \$6,000, finished inside in black walnut and ask, and nicely carpeted. It has a capacity for seating about 300 persons.

PROSPECTIVE EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Bishop Huntington and others are making an effort to secure the erection of an Episcopal Chapel at the Bay, and a part of the necessary funds have been pledged and collected.

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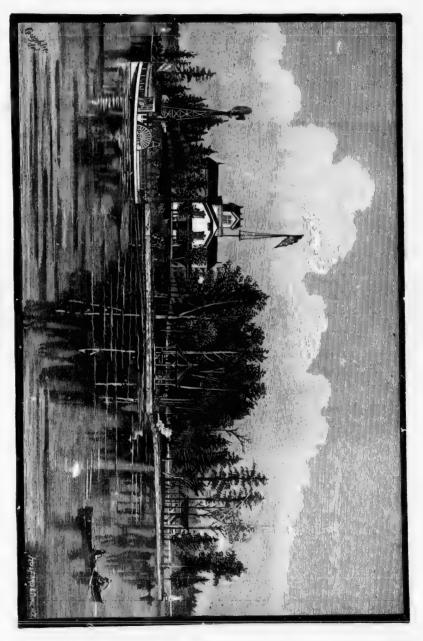
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LIBRARY.

A fine library has been established at the Bay for the use of visitors, under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. It has about one thousand volumes, a large portion of which were generously donated by its founder, Dr. Holland. These will be increased from year to year.



DEVIL'S OVEN.



SPORT ISLAND.

THE CROSSMON.

THE OLD AND NEW.

We now come to that which provides sweet and invigorating rest after the varied river sports, country drives and



sociabilities, we mean THE CROSSMON. The old hotel under the same management as the new, has been referred to. It had been the stopping place for visi. tors to the islands for more than a quarter of a century and acquired during that time a reputation of which any hotel with similar tacilities might be proud. The new, many-towered Crossmon consists of a five story building, covering exactly the site of the old hotel of pleasant memories. It is a picturesque structure, surrounded by wide verandas and traversed by spacious halls.

THE SITUATION AND OUTLOOK.

It is most charmingly situated, close to the river

on the north and the little gem of a bay from which the village takes its name on the east, thus having two water sides. Its windows, verandas and towers afford extensive views of the river and islands in three directions. Most of the prominent islands and cottages may be seen from it, together with miles and miles of the sweeping. bounding, gleaming river The hotel has in reality two fronts (with their entrances,) the one being toward the river, where boat-passengers enter, and the other on the main village street, where carriages are the mode of conveyance

PRINCIPAL ADVANTAGES OF THE CROSSMON.

The office, wine room, billiard 100m and barber shop being on the street front of the hotel, are entirely removed from the water front, where the verandas are, and where the guests like to assemble for games and promenading. An elevator runs from the basement to the top of the building, and the broad stairways in both main building and wing, afford quick means of egress in case of fire.

The hotel is lighted throughout with gas, and supplied with pure river water, which is forced by a steam engine into an enormous copper tank on the roof, and conveyed from there to the various floors by means of galvanizel iron pipes, thus doing away with all danger of lead poisoning, and other impurities. On every floor are water-closets and bath-rooms, with hot and cold water. Electrical bells and speaking tubes connect the office with every part of the building. It will accommodate three hundred guests and is adapted to satisfy those who are accustomed to luxurious homes.



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THE CROSSMON IN 1863.

The table is supplied with all the delicacies of the season, prepared by accomplished cooks; and the best brand of toreign wines, beers and liquors await the orders of all who desire them.

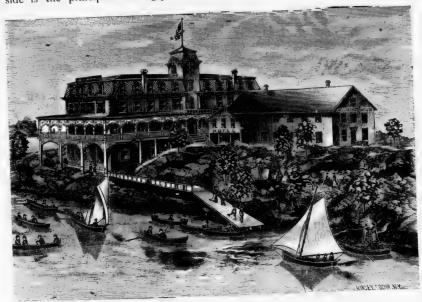
Morning concerts are given by a fine orchestra, and the amusements of the day are varied in the evening by music, dancing and gumes in the parlors, and thus the round o enjoyment may be continued from early morning until late bedtime. There are over five hundred feet of verandas, and guests may promenade the entire distance, and through the long halls, without obstruction.

Appetizing lunches are neatly put up free of charge at the hotel, for picnic and fishing parties, and, after a ride on the river, are often enjoyed in the open air, under the trees,

even better than the most sumptuous dinners in the dinning rooms. Poats, oarsmen and fishing tackle can be engaged for parties wishing them by applying at the hotel office.

The grounds of the hotel, over an acre in extent, have been nicely grassed and graded, and are beautified in places by beds of flowers.

On the east, towards the bay, is an extensive lawn, reaching to the water's edge. On this side is the principal landing place for yachts and smaller boats. On the north is a



THE CROSSMON IN 1879.

rocky incline, spotted with grass and flowers. The grounds, as well as the buildings, are brilliantly illuminated at night, colored lights shining in all the towers, which have a peculiarly beautiful effect as seen from the river.

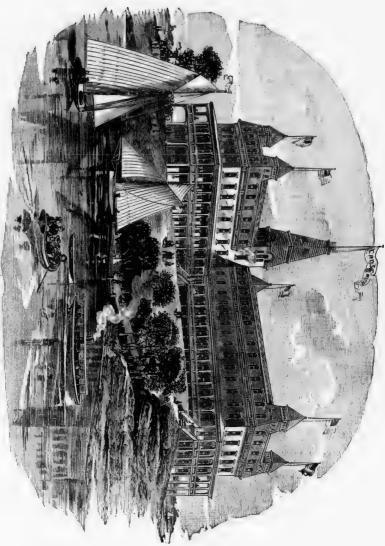
Notwithstanding the extensive accommodations, The Crossmon is crowded much of the time during the warm season, and it is therefore a good plan for parties wishing rooms, to engage them in advance by letter, or through the agency of friends.

Address,

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ALEXANDRIA BAY, N. Y.



THE CROSSMON IN 1881.

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LITTLE WHORTLEBERRY ISLAND-half acre, owned by Mrs. Lens E. B. Brown, Wilberham, Mass. VANDERBILT ISLAND—three acres, own by J. B. Hamilton, New York RIVER SIDE—(Main Land) one acre, owned byJames C. Lee, Gouverneur, N. Y Killien's Point-(Main Land) one acre, owned by Killien, Lockport, N. Y Holloway's Point—(Main Land) one acre, owned by Nathan Holloway, Omar, N. Y FISHER'S LANDING—(Main Land) two acres, owned by ... Mrs. R. Gurnee, Miss Newton, Omar. N. Y WAVING BRANCHES—owned by . . . D. C. Graham, Stone Mills, N. Y.; A. Snell, Lafargeville, N. Y.; J. Petrie, Watertown, N. Y.; Jerome B. Louks, Lafargeville, N. Y.; Isaac (Wells Island.) Mitchell, L. Hughes, Stone Mills, N. Y.; L. Ainsworth, F. Smith, H. S. Tolles, Ira Traver, Watertown, N. Y. THROOP DOCK-(Wells Island) owned by . Dr. C. E. Latimer, New York, N. Y., and Dr. S. J. Latimer, New York, N.Y., and Prof. Hoos, Cortland, N. Y. BAY VIEW-owned by C. S. Lyman, Westmoreland, N. Y



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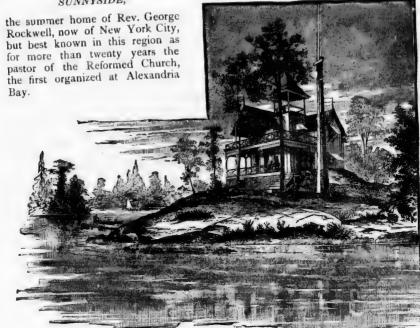
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ISLAND ROYAL—one acre, owned by	J. M. Curtis, Cleveland, Ohio
CEDAR—one acre, owned by	Hon, W. G. Rose, Cleveland, Ohio
WILD Rose—one acre, owned by	J. M. Curtis, Cleveland, Ohio
GYPSY ISLAND—two acres, owned by	J. S. Laney, Foxburg, Pa
ALLEGHENY POINT-(Main Land) two acres, owned by	A. C. Melntyre, Brockville, Ont
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Belle Island-quarter acre, owned by	Hon Bradley Winslow, Watertown, N. Y
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DEVIL'S OVEN-one acre, owned by	H. R. Heath, Brooklyn, N. Y
SUNNY SIDE—(Cherry Island) five acres, owned by	ev. Geo. H. Rockwell, New York
Easton—four acres, owned by	James E. Easton, Brooklyn, N. Y
MELROSE LODGE—(Cherry Island) nine acres, owned by	A. B. Pullman, Chicago, Ill
Ingleside—(Cherry Island), owned by	Mrs. G. B. Marsh, Chicago, Ill
SAFE Point—(Wells Island) four acres, owned by	.H. H. Warner, Rochester, N. Y
CRAIG SIDE—(Wells Island), owned by	H. A. Laughlin, Pittsburg, Pa
West Point—seven acres, owned by	John Mathews, New York



FISHING PARTIES AT FROST ISLAND.

Pullman—three acres, owned by	
Nobby-three acres, owned by	H. R. Heath, Brooklyn, N. Y
LITTLE ANGEL—one eighth acre, owned by	
Welcome—three acres, owned by	. Hon. S. G. Pope, Ogdensburg, N. Y
Friendly—three acres, owned by	E. W. Dewey, Brooklyn, N. Y
LINLITHGOW-one-fourth acre, owned by	Hon. R. A. Livingston, New York
FLORENCE—two acres, owned by	
ST. Elmo—three acres, owned by	Nathaniel W. Hunt, Brooklyn, N. Y
FELSENECK—(Wells Island) owned by	Prof. A. G. Hopkins, Clinton, N. Y
Point Lookout—(Wells Island) one acre, owned by	Miss L. J. Bullock, Adams, N. Y
EDGEWOOD PARK-(Main Land) thirty acres, owned by	Edgewood Park Association

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HELEN'S ISLAND—owned by	Mrs. O. G. Staples, Washington, D. C
Rob Roy—two acres, owned by	
LITTLE DELIGHT—two acres, owned by	Louis W. Morrison, New York
COVART ISLAND—one acre, owned by	John C. Covart, Cleveland, O
CLOUD REST-four acres, owned by	A. H. Greenawalt, Pittsburg, Pa
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Dedicated to the Guests of The Crossmon.

ON THE ST. LAWRENCE.

By GEORGE C. BRAGDON.

WAY! away! the golden day

Beams brightly on the river,

And time beguiles where happy isles

Rest peacefully forever;

And smilingly forever,

Invitingly forever.

Where isles of green o'erlook the sheen Of fair St. Lawrence river, The silver sheen round isles of green, Upon St. Lawrence river. Ah! fair the isles, adorned with smiles
To greet the wooing river;
We float between, 'neath branches green,
And long to float forever,
To dream and float forever,
Forgetfully forever.

With line and boat to dream and float
On blue St. Lawrence river,
To dream and float with line and boat
Adown St. Lawrence river.



IN THE REEDS NEAR WELLS ISLAND.

Now dipping oar recedes the shore,
And on the restless river
We gaily ride, we bound and glide,
While sunbeams flash and quiver,
Around us flash and quiver,
From billows flash and quiver.

And all is bright and care is light On old St. Lawrence river; And care is light, and all is bright Upon St. Lawrence river. Shall we forget the friends we met
And loved upon the river?—
Its songs and dreams and changing gleams?
No, never; and no, never,
We shall forget them never,
We can forget them never.

The thousand joys and sweet alloys,
Of dear St. Lawrence river,
With sweet alloys the thousand joys
Of Thousand Island River.

ROUTES TO THE BAY.

Leave the N. Y. Central at Rome, and enter the palace cars of the Rome, Watertown & Ogdensburg Railroad. A few hours' ride on these will bring you to Cape Vincent, thirty miles from Alexandria Bay, where steamers run to and fro twice a day, connecting closely with the trains.

Take the West Shore route via Utica in connection with Utica and Black River Railroad, or via

Syracuse in connection with the Rome, Watertown and Ogdensburg Railroad. Or if you please, take the other branch at Watertown, and ride through a picturesque country to Ogdensburg (six hours from Rome,) and there take steamer up the river to the Bay, 36 miles.

Or leave the Central at Syracuse (which shortens the distance for parties from the west,) and take the Syracuse Northern to Richland, from which place the

route is again on the R., W. & O. R. R.

On starting from Oswego (to which city is a railroad from Syracuse and lines of steamers from all the principal points of the great lakes, some of which go to the Bay,) a branch of the R., W. & O. connects with the main road to Richland.

Or if from the east, you take the Delaware & Hudson at Troy or Albany, going through Saratoga and along the west shore of Lake Champlain, to Rouses Point, there taking the Ogdensburg & Lake Champlain R. R. to Ogdensburg, having a delightful sail from Ogdensburg by steamer to Alexandria Bay

Or leaving Albany or Troy via D. & H. C. Co., taking steamers through Lakes George and Champiain (the most delightful of all,) to Plattsburgh, D. & H. to Rouses Point, O. & L. C., and steamer to Alexandria Bay, making one of

the best trips in this country.

Or you can leave the Central at Utica and take the cars on Utica & Black River R. R., which will take you without change of cars to Clayton, in four and a half hours, 12 miles from Alexandria Bay, where a steamer will be found which will complete the journey in one hour.

Or from Chicago and the west you can take the First Limited Express via Chicago & Grand Trunk R. R. at 3:20 P. M. daily, with through Pullman Sleepers for Boston, arriving at Alexandria Bay the next evening in time for supper,

via steamer from Kingston, 25 miles distance. The "boss" route.

Or from Portland, Old Orchard Beach, Montreal or Quebec and Maine resorts, take the Grand Trunk R. R. to Brockville, Gananoque or Kingston, and steamers from those points to Alexandria Bay, making one of the most delightful trips in this country

Or starting from New York, take the New York, Ontario & Western R. R. from West 424 St., Cortlandt or Desbrosses Sts. ferries, and enter the through Pullman Buffet Sleeping-Cars for Cape Vincent; (this is the only route from

New York running Pullman Sleepers to the islands.)

At Cape Vincent the new Steamer St. Lawrence makes close connection with the trains, running 30 miles down the river, through the islands to the Bay. Connections with the Pennsylvania R. R. by this route are made in Jersey City, in Union Station, and all transfer across New York City avoided.

From Portland, Old Orchard Beach, and Maine resorts, take the Portland & Ogdensburg R. R., passing through the White Mountains and Vermont, via Rouses Point to Ogdensburg, and steamer to Alexandria Bay. This is the shortest line from the White Mountains and

The U. & B. R. R. R. has been completed to Ogdensburg, from which point steamers also run to the Bay. A four-horse coach will run from Redwood station to the Bay, seven miles, connecting with the trains.

Visitors from the east whose route is by the Northern Railroad, which connects with the Vermont Central, will take a steamer at Ogdensburg for the rest of the journey, which leaves upon the arrival of train, reaching the Bay in time for supper.

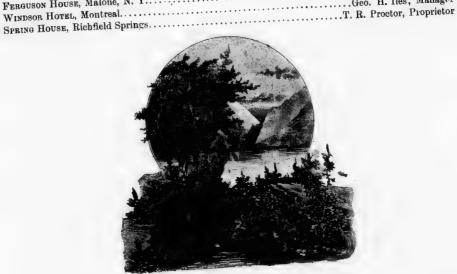
The Royal Mail line of steamers run from Niagara Falls to Montreal, passing down the St. Lawrence by daylight, and stopping at the Bay.

Since the completion of the Lake Ontario Shore Railroad, facilities for reaching Alexandria Bay from the west have improved. Parties may now leave Niagara Falls in Palace cars in the morning and ride in them to Cape Vincent, and there taking a steamer, arrive at the Bay in time for supper.



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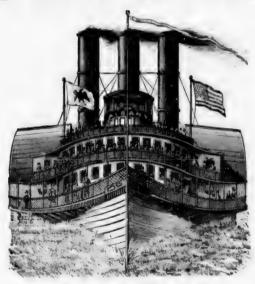
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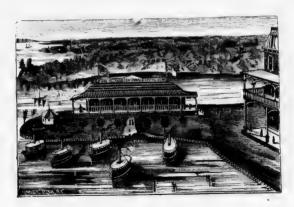
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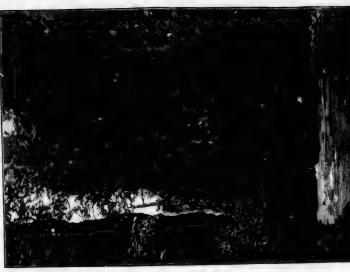
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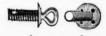
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